IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE OF ANDHRA PRADESH AT HYDERABAD

THE HON'BLE SRI JUSTICE C.V.RAMULU

W.P.No.14342 of 2006

Dated: 14th July, 2006

Between:

K.Vijaya Mohan Reddy & others.

.. Petitioners

and

Government of A.P., rep. by its
Principal Secretary, Irrigation & CAD Department,
Secretariat Buildings, Hyderabad & others.

.. Respondents

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ORDER:

The grievance of the petitioners is that without acquiring the lands and without paying any compensation under the Land Acquisition Act, their lands to an extent of Ac.9-91 cents in Survey No.199 of Kothakota village, C.Belagal Mandal, Kurnool district were made uncultivable by the respondents due to storage of backwater of

the Thungabhadra barrage. Added to that, the respondents are proceeding to dig the link channel even denying access to their lands.

The learned Government Pleader states that the Chief Engineer (Projects), Thungabhadra, Cuddapah has already addressed a letter bearing No.CE(P)/TB/CDP/ TS1/5514/2003/LCB-25 dated 25.5.2005 in this regard to the Principal Secretary to Government, Irrigation & CAD Department, Secretariat Buildings, Hyderabad recommending for acquisition of these lands. Of course, no further action is taken in this regard.

In view of the above, the first respondent is directed to take immediate action on the letter written by the Chief Engineer (Project), Thungabhadra, Cuddapah dated 25.5.2005 and pass appropriate orders within a period of two months from the date of receipt of a copy of this order. However, till such time, the respondents are restrained from digging the link channel abutting the petitioners lands for diverting rivulet (Eedulavagu) water.

With the above directions, the writ petition is disposed of accordingly. No order as to costs.

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C.V.RAMULU, J

Date: 14.7.2006

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